

March 26, 2010

TO: SUD Treatment Providers

FROM: BPA

RE: Intravenous Drug Users (IVDUs) Suspension of admission as a priority population (update from previous IVDU communication)

As part of the ongoing efforts to address the budget shortfall, BPA has been directed to suspend IVDU's as a Direct Priority Admit to all levels of care until June 1, 2010. <u>This change is effective immediately.</u>

Clients who screen as an IVDU will no longer receive an "assessment only" authorization but will be provided with community resource referrals. BPA will continue to obtain the necessary client data to track this population for future placement into care based on budget availability.

BPA would like to acknowledge and express our appreciation to the provider network for working diligently with us to address the budget shortfalls. We are hopeful that the many changes that have taken place will achieve positive results while minimizing the impact to the clients being served.

Thank you

Business Psychology Associates